

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Box RCE Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated October 11, 2002, to expire February 11, 2003. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for a one-month extension of time.

Please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 11-0855. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail addressed to: Box RCE, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on February 11, 2003.

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